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Naganahalli Research Station turns 100

Farmers seen displaying ingenious de-weeder and paddy sowing equipment at the exhibition held to mark the 100 years of Naganahalli Research Station this morning.

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (MTY&DM)- Hundreds of farmers thronged the Organic Farming Research Station at Naganahalli (OFRSN) this morning where its day-long Centenary Celebrations are being held. As part of the celebrations, a mega exhibition of agricultural tools and equipment was organised.

Equipment including coconut tree climbing machine, hand-held paddy sowing and transplant machine and weed removing machines were displayed. The usage of these machines was demonstrated to the farmers who had come from in and around Mysuru district.

Maintaining that the century-old research centre has now gone fully organic and the initial results were encouraging, University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Bengaluru Vice-Chancellor Dr. H. Shivanna, who inaugurated the celebrations, called for wider adaptation of Integrated Organic Farming Techniques for better crop yield.

Recalling the history of the Centre, Prof. Shivanna said that the then Mysuru ruler **Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar set it up on Mar. 17, 1917**, in order to carry out research for developing paddy varieties and increasing crop yield and British Agriculture expert Dr. Leslie P. Coleman was its first director.

Pointing out that the centre which started functioning under the Agriculture Department, later became an affiliate of UAS, Bengaluru in 1965, Dr. Shivanna said the Research Centre was converted to organic farming in 2005, due to a major shift in the government's perception on conventional agriculture.

Noting that the centre has been conducting extensive research on newer paddy varieties, he also complimented the Research Centre for its extensive research on not only maintaining soil fertility but also enriching it.

Dr. G. Satish, Commissioner for Agriculture, Government of Karnataka said that apart from adapting newer farm technologies in the agriculture sector, the department was also introducing newer concepts for enhancing crop yield at viable cost.

UAS Bengaluru faculty Dr. D.P. Kumar, Dr. N.R. Gangadharappa, MLA H.P. Rajesh, Research Centre's Senior Field Superintendent Dr. C. Govindaraju and others were present.

Pedal up!

The coconut tree climbing machine was a great hit at Naganahalli Research Station today with many farmers enquiring about it and also trying it. With traditional coconut tree climbers becoming extinct, this machine is gaining popularity to pluck coconuts. The machine, costing Rs. 1,500 per piece, takes only 1-2 minutes to climb a 90-ft tree when compared to four to 10 minutes taken by a coconut climber.

Kodagu youth in Pak jail: HC seeks info from MEA

Bengaluru, Mar. 17- The Karnataka High Court has yesterday asked Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) to inform within four weeks about the measures taken to secure the release of a person from Kodagu, who has been languishing in Lahore Central Prison in Pakistan since several years.

Justice A.S. Bopanna passed the interim order on a petition filed last year by P.M. Kushalappa and his wife P.K. Meenakshi, residents of Kaikeri village in Gonikoppal of Kodagu district.

Yashwanth

The petitioners said that their son, Yashwanth, who was undergoing training as part of a diploma course in Mysuru, went missing on November 29, 2006 and a complaint was lodged at the K.R. Police Station. However, the police filed a 'B Report' to the local Court after a year stating that they could not find their son.

Kushalappa and Meenakshi told the High Court that they have been appealing to the State Government and Centre for the last one year.

(See YOUTH on page 8)

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.

Mysuru, Friday 17th March 2017

Tip of the iceberg

A century has sailed by since the luxury steamship *RMS Titanic* met its catastrophic end in the North Atlantic, plunging two miles to the ocean floor after side-swiping an iceberg during its maiden voyage. Maybe, the term iceberg was understood in its proper perspective only after that historic event took place in the early morning of 15 April 1912. The context for recalling the shipwreck in which an estimated 705 survivors out of about 3,500 on board lived to narrate their journey of only a few hours shall become clear on reading this column to liken *corruption* to the iceberg and the *nation* to RMS Titanic. Ironically, the tip of the iceberg, as it floats obeying the laws of physics is taken to be harmless, the iceberg itself with its unclear volume and weight does all the damage to any object that dares to closely get near it. If one tries to labour the point, the ongoing surgical strikes of sorts to nab the corrupt elements, as reported in the media, have only caressed the *tip of the iceberg* leaving the *iceberg* untouched.

Many among the avid readers of dailies may be prone to skip reading headlines and reports relating to *a)* weather forecast by India Meteorological Department and *b)* Episodes of unearthing wealth of individuals, read government employees, disproportionate to their known sources of income. Of course, the term *disproportionate* is not only too prosaic but also a gross understatement.

India is being portrayed by different global rating agencies and authorities such as the World Bank as the third or so largest economy behind mainly the United States of America and People's Republic of China, taking the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) as the sole parameter. Economists seem to have oversimplified the exercise of determining the size of the respective country's economy using this parameter, understanding whose meaning and means of calculating is not given to lay people. However, suffice to say that, GDP being computed, based on inputs from the *Book of Accounts*, closely watched by the appointed department in the government, the humongous amounts of money at the command of the steadily rising numbers of offending flock not shown in those *Books* could be many times of the officially declared GDP.

Old timers of Mysore State, who are never tired of singing paeans about the work ethics of government staff of their bygone days are aghast at the astronomical figures being disclosed as the cost of civil works such as roads and bridges. Even teenagers are talking of the cuts being harvested from those funds. The unearthed parts of that God-knows-How-Much, as reported in the media, is the tip of the iceberg for you.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

For too long, economics has been thought of as the preserve of a tiny minority, one that can make sense of its bewilderingly complex possibilities. The subject starts off simply enough, with everyone who goes to school aware of the delectably graspable demand-supply curve; but the more the real world intrudes, the more adherents the subject loses. Economics also suffers from that unique conundrum: In which bucket should the discipline be placed? Does it belong to the "science" pile, given how neatly some of its basic assumptions can be summarised? Or is it better company with the humanities, since all of the subject's elegance cannot stand scrutiny in the face of its principal opponent: Human behaviour? *— Vikram Johri in Business Standard.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Nun is the mother of abandoned girls!

Beijing: A Buddhist nun has melted the hearts of millions of Chinese after it was revealed that she has adopted and raised over 30 girls abandoned at the gate of her temple over the last 37 years. Master nun Changmiao, who joined the Buddhist Hailian Temple, in Ningdu, when she was 15 years old, adopted her first daughter in 1980, when she found her abandoned on the side of the road outside her temple. The infant had ants crawling all over her body, and while curious onlookers gathered to see her, none of them were willing to do anything to help. Little did she know that this was only the first of many daughters, all of them rescued. Word must have spread about Changmiao's original act of kindness, because over the next 37 years, people kept leaving young girls outside the gates of her temple. It's not clear if the master nun took in every one, but she did adopt over 30 girls, making sure that they got a good education and teaching them to be independent and self-reliant.

Make your friends envy

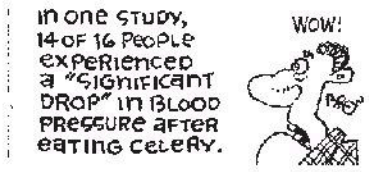
Tokyo: Want to brag about your active social life on Facebook, when you really have no friends? Trying to make your ex jealous by posing with an attractive new partner, but can't find a date? No need to worry, this Japanese company will happily send you some fake friends or lovers for a fun photo shoot that will make your online friends green with envy. You'll have to pay for it, though.

Keeping up appearances on social media is apparently very important to a lot of people, whether they are looking to show co-workers that they are much more fun to be around than they appear to be at the office, or trying to impress a special someone with their active social life.

The company's Real Appeal service aims to help them succeed, by providing some fake friends for impressive photo shoots. Clients can then post these pics on their Facebook or Instagram pages to show everyone how fun their life is, without anyone knowing it's all a paid-for illusion.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Can celery help lower my blood pressure?



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Bags Best Research Paper Award

Dr. Chennamma

Mysuru, Mar.17-Dr. H.R. Chennamma, Assistant Professor, Department of MCA, JSS Science & Technology University (formerly SJCE), Mysuru, has received the "Best Research Paper Award" for her research proposal titled "Virtual Lab for Digital Image Forensics" at the National Cyber Safety and Security Standards Summit, 2017, held at BITS Pilani, Hyderabad Campus last month.

The Summit was organised by National Cyber Safety and Security Standards in association with Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, and Department of Science & Technology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India, New Delhi.

Dr. Chennamma received this prestigious award from Justice Dr. S. Mohan, former Judge, Supreme Court of India & Chairman, National Cyber Safety and Security Standards at the valedictory function of the summit at BITS Pilani.

Dr. S. Amar Prasad Reddy, Director-General, National Cyber Safety and Security Standards, was also present. The award comprises a certificate, memento and citation.

Dr. Chennamma has presented a research paper on developing a virtual lab to support information security education. She also presented a formal and pragmatic approach problems encountered in detecting forgery with images along with its detailed solution. Further, she discussed the importance of transforming a physical laboratory into virtual laboratory for the benefit of public, Police personnel and legal issues.

Dr. Chennamma has been working on Digital Image Forensics, has published more than 25 research articles and two book chapters in the digital forensics, guiding 4 Ph.D. Scholars and also organising workshops at the Department of MCA on "An awareness programme on Cyber Security" from the last five years for the benefit of students, Police personnel and general public" under TEQIP programme of the JSS Science & Technology University.

She is also a recipient of "National Best Paper Award" for her research presentation at XIII All India Forensic Science Conference held at Kolkata.

Really...?

- ***John of Bohemia, after being blind for 10 years, fought in the Battle of Crécy. He wanted to take part in the battle despite being blind, so he asked two of his knights to tie his horse to theirs to be directed to the enemy. All three of them died.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

During an English class, the teacher notices that a boy was not paying attention to him.
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Pappu: *(thinking for a while) I saw a dead body cycling to school !*

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VOICE OF THE READER

Air connectivity must for Mysuru's future plans

Sir,

This has reference to the article ***'Mysuru, a plan for the future'*** by M.L.Krishnaswami (*SOM* dated Mar.14). It beautifully enumerates the past glory of the heritage city, giving out valid ideas to make it more worthy of its cleanest city tag.

As he rightly said, a strong will and determination are what is required. Everyone should think that it is after all our city and active participation of one and all is the need of the hour. JP Nagar park is a right example of such an initiative.

Further, reasons apart, I wonder how a highly tourist-potential place like Mysuru, which is growing industrially too, is devoid of air connectivity, when comparatively many lesser known cities are already on the air map of the country since many years?

It is high time people's representatives of the region take up this issue seriously and work on this. I appeal the Chief Minister too, who hails from this city, to think positively on these and start off the process for good.

—N. Devarajan

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ICSI Mysore Chapter to host Umang-2017 tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar.17- The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), Mysore Chapter, is conducting the annual student festival *Umang-2017* on Mar. 18 at the Chapter premises in city.

This event is being held since 2007 where students from various colleges take part to enrich their knowledge and skills. This year's theme is *"Ek Bharat Aur Swachh Bharat"* to emphasise a cleaner and unified India. Fer details contact ICSI Mysore Chapter on Ph: 2516065, according to V.J.Balakrishnan, Chairman of ICSI Mysore.

Lecture on Cancer at CFTRI

Mysuru, Mar.17- CSIR CFTRI Pensioner's Welfare Association, Mysuru chapter, has arranged Dr. H. V. Narasimha Memorial Lecture - Series II (2017) on the theme 'Awareness about Cancer' by Dr. M. S. Vishveswara, Chief Radiation Oncologist, Bharath Hospital & Institute of Oncology, Mysuru at 11am tomorrow (Mar.18) at IFTTC auditorium, CSIR CFTRI campus. The lecture programme is sponsored by Vatsala Narasimha and family, according to B.S. Ramesh, Assn. Secretary.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Staging of play on Mar. 18

City's amateur theatre group Samathentho, as part of its Golden Jubilee celebrations, will be staging the play 'Sahyadrikanda' by Sanchaya Theatre, Bengaluru on Mar. 18 at Vanaranga from 7 pm. The play is written by K.V. Akshara and directed by Uthana Bharighat. For details, contact Mob: 94484-79483 or 95904-03087, according to a press release.

Story-telling

Kalasuruchi has organised story telling by K. R. Sumathi, Theatre Director, Mysuru, at Suruchi Rangamane, 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, on Mar. 18 from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2541795 or Mob: 92435-81097.

Bhajan contest

Karighatta Mettlotsava Samiti, Mysuru, has organised a Bhajan contest. Interested may collect the prescribed application form from Sri Guru Raghavendra Mutt in T.K. Layout and submit the filled-in forms, before Mar. 25. For details, contact Mob: 99641-80152.

Heart screening

Avati L. Ramasheshaiah and Lakshmi Devamma Clinic of Narayana Multispeciality Hospital has organised a free heart screening camp at # 80/1, Vinoba Road, Shivarampet, tomorrow (Mar. 18) from 9 am to 2 pm. For details, contact Mob: 88847-44144, according to press release.

Bones and joints camp

A bones and joints screening camp has been organised at Narayana Multispeciality Hospital in city tomorrow (Mar. 18) between 10 am and 3 pm. For details, contact Mob: 95380-52378.

Elected

T.A. Madhukar and K. Shivananda have been elected as the President and Vice-President of Sri Bhuvaneshwari Souharda Pattina Sahakari Niyamita respectively at the recently held elections. Elected Board Members are E.K. Rajan Babu, C. Suresh, R. Narayana, C.S. Nagaraj, B.M. Shivashankar, M.S. Shivakumarswamy, Shanthi V. Hegde and M. Vijayalakshmi.

Felicitation

Dr. M. Prabhakara Joshi Abhinandana Samithi will hold a special event to felicitate famous Taalamaddale artist, critic and writer Dr. M. Prabhakara Joshi at the two-day cultural programme to be held from May 13 at Jaganmohan Palace auditorium. Talks on Dr. Joshi's life and achievements along with Yakshagana programme and interaction will also be held. For details, contact Mob: 94821 13818.

'Model' grand-daughter sets house afire; elderly couple rescued

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (SBD&BCT)- An elderly couple living at Lakshmikanthanagar in city was allegedly terrorised by their 26-year-old grand-daughter who set a wooden swing and cushions inside their house on fire yesterday. The fire quickly spread to other furniture in the room, destroying them. The couple, however, did not register a Police complaint and have told the Police that it was a small issue and they would not like to file a complaint.

The woman, who set the house on fire, has been identified as Priyadarshini, grand-daughter of 78-year-old Somasunder and 73-year-old Leelavathi. They are the residents of Lakshmikanthanagar at Hebbal near the Prashantha Ganapathy Temple. Somasunder is a retired BEML employee.

According to neighbours, Priyadarshini often used to threaten her grand-parents for not giving her money. She is a college dropout and was allegedly in the habit of drinking and smoking. Priyadarshini's parents had separated and she had lost her mother Madhurani about two-and-a-half years ago. The elderly couple have two sons and one son is settled in Bengaluru while the other son lived in London.

Priyadarshini often used to fight with her grand-parents and even beat them, the Police and neighbours said. Many times she used to create ruckus in front of their house in drunken stupor. The girl had failed in her PUC exams and had taken up modelling as a career and was taking baby steps in the field.

Of late, she came into contact with many youths and were addicted to drugs, smoking and alcohol. Upset by her behaviour, her grand-parents had advised her to quit her vices. They had also taken exception to her going around with boys and bringing them home for late-night parties.

Yesterday afternoon too, she demanded money from her grand-parents and Somasunder chided her for her wayward ways and refused to part with the money. She warned her grand-parents about their interference in her life and told them she would beat them up and set them on fire. Somasunder, however, stood his ground and refused to give her money.

An enraged Priyadarshini then set fire to the wooden swing and cushions and left the house in a huff. Soon, the fire spread and neighbours, who saw smoke coming out of the house, rushed in and rescued the elderly couple. Soon, the Fire and Emergency Services were called to douse the fire.

However, no one was injured in the incident. DCP (Law and Order) Dr. H.T. Shekar said the incident happened around 12.30 pm. The elderly couple is not willing to file a case against their grand-daughter who had lost her mother at a young age and was abandoned by her father later, he said.

Hebbal Police Station Inspector Thimmegowda told *Star of Mysore* this morning that though Priyadarshini's grand-parents did not file a complaint, they had questioned her last evening. During questioning, Priyadarshini told the Police that she was an alcoholic and cannot survive without liquor.

"After assessing her condition, we have sent her to Mahila Seva Kendra in Vijayanagar and we will see what steps can be taken to de-addict her," Inspector Thimmegowda said.

Woman conned to part with *mangalsutra* at K.R. Hospital

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (SBD&BCT)- Two women managed to con another woman by diverting her attention to pocket her gold *mangalsutra* at K.R. Hospital in city. Though the incident took place a couple of days ago, it has come to light yesterday.

The woman who lost the *mangalsutra* has been identified as 75-year-old Lakshmi, a resident of Vijayanagar and she lost her 30-gram *mangalsutra*. In her complaint to Devaraja Police, Lakshmi has said that on Mar. 11, she was entering the K.R. Hospital when a woman approached her saying that she had found a purse fallen on the road and would like to share the money with her (Lakshmi).

"The woman took me to the other side of the hospital saying that someone might be watching them. As we went near a tree, another woman landed at the spot and claimed that it was her purse and quarrelled with us. To prove her point that she was not a thief, one of the women told me to remove my *mangalsutra* to swear that I have not stolen the purse," the woman stated in her complaint.

After the *mangalsutra* was removed, the women pretended to pack it in her (Lakshmi's) sari and made her to keep it on her head to swear. After this, both the women left the place and one of the women thrust Rs. 400 into her hand before leaving. Lakshmi told the Police that she realised that she has been robbed of her chain later when she found that small stones had been packed in her saree instead of the *mangalsutra*.

Lakshmi told the Police that both the women might be between 25 and 30 years of age. Devaraja Police have launched a manhunt for the women.

Foreign national facing criminal charges to be deported

Bengaluru, Mar. 17- Close on the heels of Goa Government's action of deporting foreign nationals facing criminal charges, Karnataka too will deport a Nigerian national for criminal activities.

Replying to a question by BJP member V. Somanna in the Legislative Council yesterday, Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwara said several foreign nationals who have overstayed in the city are indulging in criminal activities such as dug-peddling. Such foreign nationals will be deported after withdrawing the criminal charges against them, just as in Goa, he said and added that the Government will not tolerate any unlawful acts by foreign nationals.

Forest Minister Ramanath Rai admitted to hospital

Bengaluru, Mar.17(KMS&DM)- Forest Minister Ramanath Rai has been admitted to a hospital in Bengaluru yesterday following indisposition. Ramanath Rai was taking part in the ongoing Assembly Session, when he complained of uneasiness. He was rushed to M.S. Ramaiah Hospital.

Rai, who is said to be suffering from high BP and heart ailment, is being treated at the Hospital's ICU, according to sources.

Obituary

J.S. Margaret

Mysuru, Mar. 17- J.S. Margaret (80), wife of late Joseph Sushil and a resident of N.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday at a private hospital in city following prolonged illness.

She leaves behind her children J.S. Richard, J.S. Catherine, J.S. Francis, Charles and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral was held at the Christian cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar today afternoon, according to family sources.

Sarojamma

Sarojamma (68), wife of Ramalingu and a resident of HUDCO, Sewage Farm Road in Vidyaranyapuram here, passed away yesterday following brief illness.

She leaves behind her husband, sons Ganesh, Harish and Umesh, daughter Rathna and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites would be performed today, according to family sources.

M. Raju

M.Raju, former member of Hebbal Gram Panchayat, a civil contractor by profession and a resident of Hebbal in city, passed away yesterday night following brief illness. He leaves behind a son, daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be performed today at Hebbal Burial Grounds, according to family sources.

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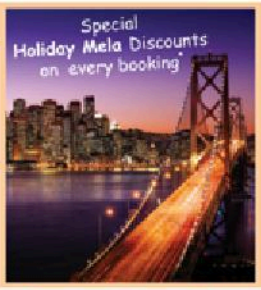

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Over a cup of evening Tea

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Let Clean Bottoms Come First!

Just three days ago I saw an ad in my newspaper for a hands-free bottom washing device that can be fitted to our Western-style toilet bowls which are now clearly overtaking the humble squat down Indian toilets even in middle-class homes across the length and breadth of our country. **It is a hands-free device that promises to wash your bottom squeaking clean automatically at the press of a button, after you are done. But God forbid, if it begins to malfunction and in a burst of over-enthusiasm, decides to start doing its job while you have still a long way to go! It is also a different matter that although the squatting down method has been acknowledged even by Western scientists as the best way of efficiently evacuating the bowels for a biped like man, the West has always preferred to do this daily inescapable job only in the rather inefficient second best way!**

The ad for this new gizmo triggered some thoughts in my mind which I would like to share with my readers. We all know that cleansing ourselves with water after using the toilet is a very clean, healthy and certainly very commendable habit about which we Indians can all feel justifiably proud. Thanks to this very simple tradition, while the West can brag about its achievements in the many domains where it does excel, we Indians can proclaim with pride that when it comes to something as close as personal cleanliness, we are miles ahead. Every Indian, young or old, rich or poor, educated or illiterate, urban or rural, prefers to wash up with water after easing oneself. This preference is the same in every nook and corner of our country. That is why we see our rural folk who have never seen the insides of a toilet heading to the open fields first thing in the morning with the ubiquitous pail of water.

While I was attached to a rural mission hospital I used to see from my quarters all my admitted patients doing this every morning in the open countryside around the hospital. On reprimanding them during my rounds for doing this despite the hospital wards having clean toilets they used to sheepishly tell me that going to the toilet in a closed room was simply unthinkable! Thanks to water, the best God-given cleansing agent, we lead our daily lives without the need to take the help of sweetly perfumed toilet tissues and personal deodorant sprays which can at best only mask the sad state of affairs down below without doing any real cleaning where it is needed most.

While most Indians who prefer the Western-style toilets in their homes, install washing bidets or at least faucets mounted on flexible hoses, it is sad that many high end hotels in our country do not provide such a basic facility. No, this is not a cost cutting measure. If you are inclined to believe so just look at the other needless expensive fittings and furnishings they squander their money on without as much as a second thought. It is purely an egoistic fashion statement that proclaims that they are on par with the best Western standards in every way. What a pity it is that the promoters of these opulent establishments feel that we have to ape the West even by doing something wrong! They perhaps feel that their foreign guests will end up feeling that the hotel they have stepped into is only of an 'Indian standard' if they see a washing faucet hanging alongside their cherished roll of toilet paper!

Fastidious that I am with my preference for water after my toileting, at all such establishments that do not have this amenity I very often ring the bell desk and ask for a plastic mug much to the bewilderment of the person manning it. When I tell the visibly amazed room boys who bring it the reason why I need it, they immediately flash a broad grin and tell me that I'm doing the right thing as our Indian way of going to the loo is the world's best! Many high-end hotels, perhaps accustomed to such frequent demeaning requests from their Indian guests and averse to lowering their standards by complying with them, straight away tell me that a thing as humble and as offensive as a plastic mug is not in their hallowed inventory. That is when I am forced to take recourse to the ubiquitous and omnipresent bottle of mineral water that is thankfully considered as conforming to the best Western standards by everyone without any dispute whatsoever!

This was my most recent though not the first experience last weekend when I was staying at the **J.W. Marriott Hotel** in Pune where I had gone to attend an international conference on Diabetes. The brochure of the hotel said that they had everything that a customer could possibly ask for and yet they could not provide me with the mug I wanted so dearly! And, their mineral water bottles were too small to come to my rescue and so I had to request my cab driver to take me to a mall nearby to enable me to buy a plastic mug. **While returning to my room with my own dear mug the sobering thought flashed through my mind that the American conglomerate that owned the hotel had probably taken the help of the CIA to find out what their Indian guests were doing with their drinking water bottles and to preclude such insulting misuse had perhaps switched over to miniature ones!**

Now, the thought that comes to my mind is when our Prime Minister who is a frequent traveller, unlike most of his predecessors, is taking great pains to introduce Indian culture to the West and has succeeded in popularising the art of Yoga overseas, why can he not also take the initiative of introducing the use of water for perfect personal hygiene at least on our own soil if not on theirs? He can perhaps make a beginning by including this under the **Swacch Bharat Abhiyaan** which is his pet project. **He can show our Western guests the way to some real cleanliness and also do us all Indians a favour by making it mandatory for every toilet in the country irrespective of whether it is in a five star hotel, office complex, home or on the roadside to have a provision for washing up after using it. After all, sparkling clean bottoms too should be a part of clean living and clean living is what the Swacch Bharat Abhiyaan is all about!**

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JSS University signs MoU with NIPER

Dr. B. Manjunatha (left), Registrar, JSSU and Dr. V. Ravichandran, Director, NIPER, seen greeting each other after signing the MoU as JSSU Vice-Chancellor Dr. B. Suresh and others looks on.

Mysuru, Mar. 17- Jagadguru Sri Shivarathreeshwara University (JSSU) and National Institute for Pharmaceutical Education & Research (NIPER), Kolkata, under the Ministry of Fertilizers & Petrochemicals, signed an MoU on Mar. 11 at JSSU in S.S. Nagar.

The MoU envisages preparation of snake venom anti-body by the Principal Investigator from JSSU and Joint Projects, Academic Exchange programme. The MoU was signed by Dr. B. Manjunatha, Registrar, JSSU and Dr. V. Ravichandran, Director, NIPER.

Dr. B. Suresh, VC, Dr. S. Balasusbramanian, Dr. S.A. Dhanraj, Dean (Global Engagement) Dr. J.R. Kumar from JSSU and other officers of NIPER were present on the occasion.

Technical seminar on

"Hospital Infection Control - Meeting the Challenges"

Mysuru, Mar. 17- In providing a forum for knowledge sharing in the area of Healthcare Establishments Associated Infections (HAI) among medical professionals of Mysuru, Schevaran Innovation Centre (SIC), Mysuru in association with Mysore Association of Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Diagnostics & Clinics (MAHAN), had organised a half-day technical seminar on "Hospital infection control – Meeting the challenges" at Hotel *Southern Star* here on March 11.

The seminar was inaugurated by Dr. M.D. Ravi, Medical Director, JSS Hospital. Dr. V. Prakash, former Director, CFTRI and Chairman, Advisory Board, SIC, presided. The other dignitaries present were Dr. Mahesh Kumar, President, MAHAN; Dr. Madhuri Kulkarni, Professor, Department of Microbiology, JSS Medical College; Sam Cherian, Managing Director, Schevaran Laboratories Pvt. Ltd. and Dr. T.N. Bhavanishankar, Director, SIC.

The dignitaries spoke about the relevance of microbial infections in hospital and need for appropriate patient care.

Sam Cherian welcomed. Dr. K. Dhanalakshmi of SIC proposed a vote of thanks. S. Vinutha of SIC compered.

The speakers included Dr. Madhuri Kulkarni; Dr. Vijay Richard of Narayana Health, Bengaluru; Dr. G. Siddesh of Sigma Hospital, Mysuru; Dr. K.E. Vandana from Kasturba Medical College, Manipal and Dr. Richard Joseph of SIC, Mysuru.

CII interaction with Container Corporation of India today

Mysuru, Mar. 17- CII Mysuru has organised an Interactive Session with Dr. Anup Dayanand Sadhu, IRTS, Group GM, Container Corporation of India (CONCOR), today (Mar. 17) at 4.15 pm at SJCE-STEP, SJCE Campus.

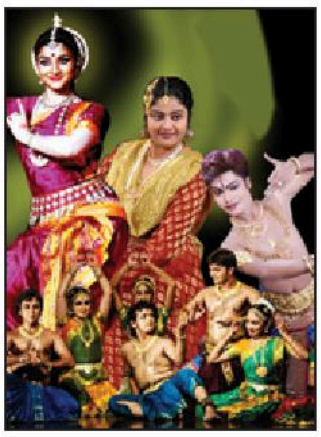
Container transportation by truck and train or ship can add tremendous value to the overall supply chain and drive significant savings in transportation, consistent capacity and quality service for industries who are critical on cost cutting in their operations. In overseas companies have reduced transportation spend by moving freight in inter-modal containers. The session is aimed at bringing the industries and Container Corporation together on a single platform to understand freight schemes / operations procedure and services being offered.

Malabar Gold to launch showroom in Ballari

Bengaluru, Mar.17- Malabar Gold and Diamonds will launch its 172nd showroom in Ballari, which is their 17th showroom in Karnataka. The showroom will be inaugurated on Mar. 18 at 11.30 am by MP and former Minister B. Sreeramulu. The state-of-the-art jewellery showroom is located at Car Street, near Brucepet Police Station, Ballari.

Besides displaying jewellery specific to the culture and celebrations of Karnataka, the new showroom will display the exclusive range of sub-brands from Malabar Gold & Diamonds: Mine - Diamond jewellery, Era - Uncut Diamond Jewellery, Precia - Precious Gem Jewellery, Divine - Indian Heritage Jewellery, Ethnix - Handcrafted designer Jewellery Starlet - Kids' Jewellery and Hicasual jewellery. The showroom will also showcase platinum and silver jewellery.

Articulate Mysore Fest on Mar. 19



Mysuru, Mar. 17- As part of the Articulate Mysore Festival, the following programmes have been organised at Premier Complex, Premier Studios, Jayalakshmipuram, in city on Mar. 19 from 6 pm onwards: Kathak Solo by Soma Ghosh; Odissi Solo by Paridhi Joshi, Bharatanatyam Solo by Atanu Das, Bharatanatyam Group Dance by Sai Arts International Ensemble. Entry is free. For details, contact Festival Co-ordinator Mysore B. Nagaraj on Mob: 93412-88391.

Seminar on 'Recent Advances in Communication Technologies'

Mysuru, Mar.17-The Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, NIEIT Mysuru is organising a one-day National seminar on *"Recent Advances in Communication Technologies-A Power System Perspective"* on Mar. 18 at the college premises in Koorgalli. N. Murugesan, former Director General, CPRI, Bengaluru, will inaugurate and deliver the keynote address at 10 am. G.S. Ramachandra, Hon. Secretary, NIE, will preside.

Dr. T. Ananthapadmanabha, Principal, is the Chief Coordinator. The objective of this seminar is to give exposure on technological developments achieved in the domain of Power system communication starting from Power Line Carrier communication to the recently evolved Cognitive Radio Network based Communication. Discussions on important developments in this field are dealt by resource persons V.Girish, EE, Telecommunication Division, ALDC, HESCOM, Hubballi, M.B. Balaji, Senior Domain Engineer, ABB India Development Centre, Bengaluru and Anitha, Asst. Executive Engineer, DCC, CESC.

For registration contact the coordinators Dr.Usha Surendra [Mob:9342186716] or M. Lokesh [Mob:9902880237].

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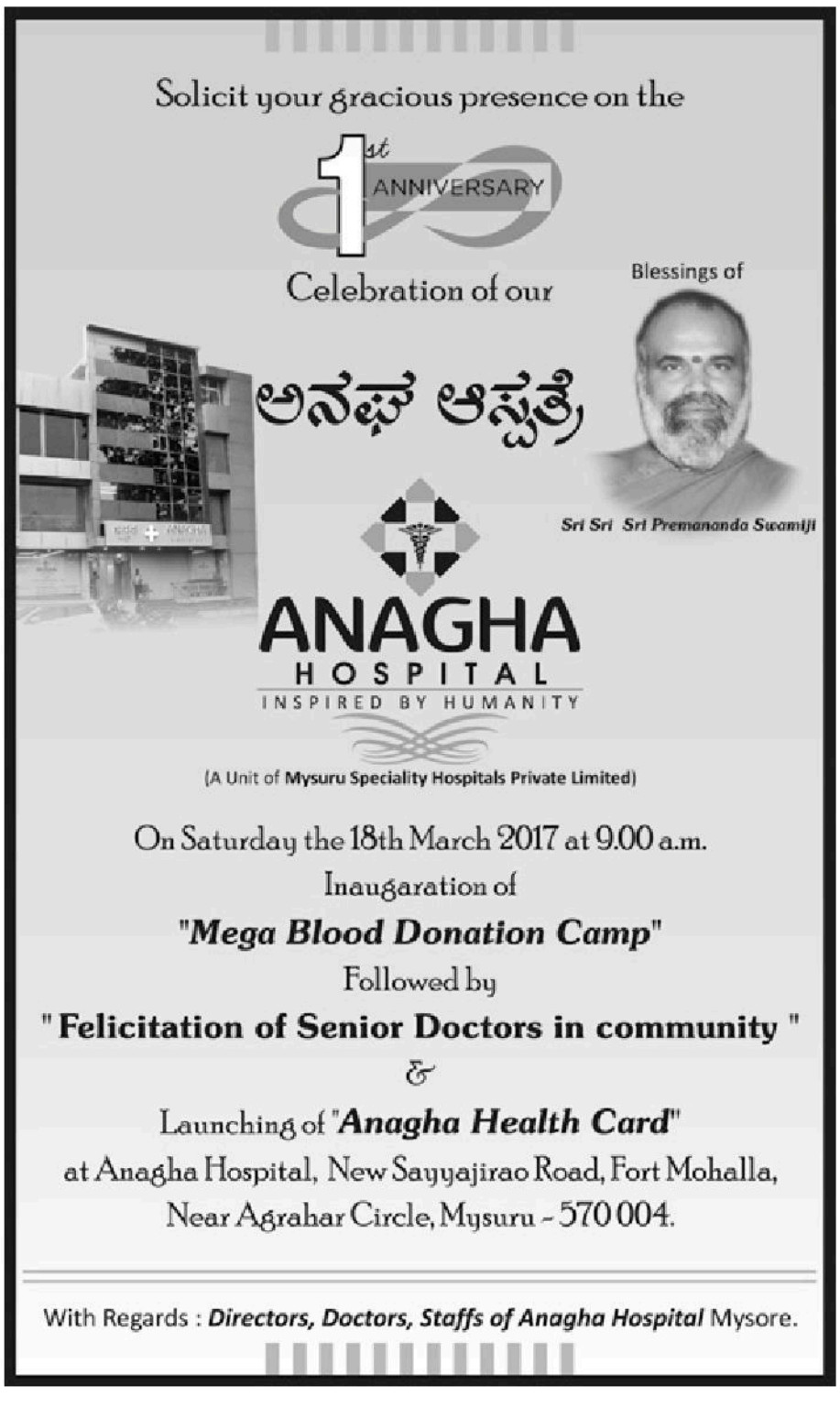
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Gangothri students up in arms

Mysuru , Mar. 17 (SP&VNS) - Thousands of students and research scholars staged a protest in front of the Centenary Clock Tower in Manasagangothri campus here today demanding the State and Central Governments to initiate measures to stop atrocities against dalits and progressive thinkers.

The protest, jointly called by Mysore University Research Scholars Association (MURSA) and Dalita Vidyarthi Okkuta witnessed students and research scholars boycotting their classes and staging a dharna.

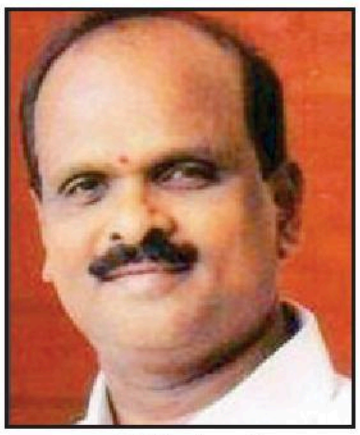
They alleged that organisations such as RSS, ABVP and VHP were forcibly making people to chant '*Jai Sri Ram*'. They were also involved in spraying ink on 'Dundi' author Yogesh Master and Nagabhushan, who were also threatened to be killed for writing against Hindu religion.

The protestors shouted slogans condemning the recent incidents of a dalit woman being stripped in Gujarat, attack on writer Narendra Nayak, suicide of Muthukrishna at JNU in New Delhi and also threatened to intensify the protest if action was not taken against organisations and individuals involved in atrocities against dalits and progressive thinkers.

Few students at the Round Canteen were locked inside for not participating in the protest.

City Police had provided tight security at the campus to avoid untoward incidents.

Leaders pay respects to ex-MLC N. Manjunath



N. Manjunath

Mysuru, Mar. 17- Former MLC and KPCC SC Wing President N. Manjunath (54) passed away at a private hospital in Bengaluru yesterday. He leaves behind his wife Asha Manjunath, son Praful Kumar and a host of relatives and friends.

He was the son of former Minister late T.N. Narasimhamurthy (TNN), who was associated with the Congress party for decades.

Leaders of various political parties paid their last respects to the departed leader at T.N.N. Adarsha Vidyarthi Nilaya in Rajendra Nagar in city where his body was kept for public viewing.

Family sources said that the last rites would be held at around 4 pm today at the hostel premises in city.

Manjunath was rushed to Fortis Hospital in Bengaluru on Feb. 17 after he complained of respiratory problems while returning to Bengaluru from Kolar after attending a programme. Later he was shifted to Manipal Hospital, where he underwent an open heart surgery.

As his health condition did not improve, he was again shifted to Narayana Hrudayalaya in Bengaluru where he breathed his last at about 6.25 pm yesterday.

Manjunath, who was elected to the Legislative Council from Mysuru-Chamarajanagar local bodies seat about 9 years ago, was also the President of T.N.N. Adarsha Vidyarthi Nilaya.

A native of T. Narasipur taluk, Manjunath grew up in politics under his father TNN.

Condolence meet

The meeting called by City and District Congress Committees at the Town Hall in city this morning to discuss strategies for Nanjangud by-poll turned out to be a condolence meeting following the demise of former MLC N. Manjunath. The leaders offered floral tributes to the portrait of Manjunath and lauded the works of the leader as a Congress party leader and as an MLC.

Former BJP MLC's resort land recovered; structures razed

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (SG&BCT)- The Chamarajanagar Revenue Department yesterday took over the land in Mangala village near Bandipur Tiger Reserve on which former BJP MLC G. Madhusudan and others had set up a resort and demolished the structures built on it. Madhusudan and others had constructed a resort "Tiger Ranch" on the land that borders the Tiger Reserve.

Revenue officials said that they reached the spot yesterday morning and completed the operations by late afternoon. Most of the material had been voluntarily removed by Madhusudan and others, said the officials. The disputed property is in Mangala village, abutting Bandipur and is close to the migratory paths of wild animals.

The team of revenue officials was led by Deputy Tahsildar of Hangala Village Deepak and the demolition included the resort boundaries and the structures that were built to accommodate tourists.

Mysuru Regional Commissioner M.V. Jayanthi had recently directed the Deputy Commissioner of Chamarajanagar district on Feb. 20 to reclaim nearly 40 acres of land at Mangala village. The then Principal Chief Conservator of Forests B.G. Hosmath had complained to the Regional Commissioner saying that Madhusudan and others had illegally constructed a resort near an elephant corridor.

When the case came up for hearing, Regional Commissioner ruled that Madhusudan had violated the provisions of Karnataka Land Reforms Act during the purchase and, hence, the transaction was illegal. The order said permission had been granted to a non-agriculturist for purchasing an agricultural land without verifying the buyer's income.

Though the then Assistant Commissioner of Nanjangud cleared the transaction over 20 years ago, a revision petition was filed by Hosmath when he suspected the bona fides of the sale.

"I HAVE APPROACHED THE HC"

Speaking to *SOM* this morning, former MLC G. Madhusudan said that he had already filed a petition in the Karnataka High Court as the Regional Commissioner has acted beyond the purview of her powers. "The case will come up in the next couple of days and the Revenue Department officials have demolished the resort in a great urgency. I will fight it out in the Court as the transactions are legal," he said.

Online taxi at Rly. Station irks auto drivers in city

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (RK&KS) - Following opening of a kiosk to provide online taxi booking facility at City Railway Station, the auto drivers, alleging that the taxi services at the Station would deprive them of their livelihood, staged a snap stir in front of the Railway Station here this morning.

N'gud bypoll: Rousing welcome for Prasad

Nanjangud, Mar. 17 (RS&KS) - With today being the fourth day of filing nominations to Nanjangud by-poll, only one candidate filed his nomination papers today, when we went to the press at 1.30 pm.

Hannur Pradeep Kumar of Karunada Party, along with his supporters, submitted his nomination papers to the Chief Electoral Officer in the temple town this morning.

Meanwhile, former Minister and BJP candidate V. Sreenivasa Prasad who visited Chamalapura hundi village in Nanjangud this morning, was given a rousing welcome by bursting crackers.

Kodagu youth in Pak jail

(Continued from page 1)

"Our son Yashwanth went missing from Mysuru eight years ago. All attempts to trace him went in vain. When Pakistan released a list of Indians lodged in the Pakistan jail last year, there was the name of a Ramesh in the list. Ramesh resembles Yashwanth. He is our son. The government should make an effort to get him released," appealed the petitioners.

The petitioner-couple complained that the Union Government has not taken any action to bring their son back despite submitting representations to the Prime Minister's Office and the Ministry of External Affairs.

ABOUT THE CASE

Yashwanth had enrolled for a diploma course in Electronics and Communication at Kaveri Polytechnic in Gonikoppal in 2004. However, due to shortage of attendance in the fourth semester, he could not appear for the exams. Later, he enrolled for a course at Janashikshana Samsthana in Mysuru in 2006. After completing the course in December 2006, he called his parents and asked for Rs. 1,000 to go to Bengaluru in search of employment. The couple had given him money in Mysuru, after which there was no trace of him.

In 2014, the Mysuru Police received a photo from the Centre indicating that a person, who identified himself as Ramesh, had completed his jail term after conviction under the Pakistan Foreigners Act. The Pak Government had sent the lists along with photographs to the Indian Government to confirm the nationality. Pakistan had said that Ramesh was arrested in Lahore on Dec. 6, 2013. However, he did not possess any arms.

Then, *Star of Mysore* and its sister publication *Mysooru Mithra* published the photograph and report on July 11, 2014 about one Ramesh of Maddur being lodged in a Pakistan jail.

Seeing the report, Kushalappa and Meenakshi claimed that it was not Ramesh but their son Yashwanth. They contacted the Police when it was discovered that all details made available matched with that of their son, except for the name. Later, they contacted Virajpet MLA K.G. Bopaiah and submitted all records confirming that the Indian youth lodged in Pakistan Jail was indeed their son Yashwanth.

When *Star of Mysore* contacted MLA K.G. Bopaiah for his reaction on the issue this morning, he was in the Assembly session and could not react.

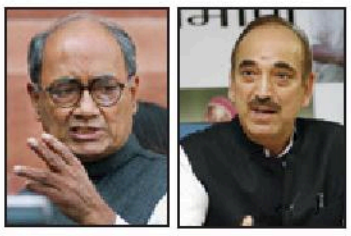
Digvijay out, Azad in?

Bengaluru, Mar. 17 (KMS& BCT)- Taking serious note of senior Congress leader Digvijay Singh's 'failure' to cobble up any post-poll alliance to attain power in Goa despite the party emerging as the single largest in the recently held Assembly elections, the Congress high command has decided to replace Singh with Gulam Nabi Azad as the party in-charge of Karnataka.

According to highly placed party sources, All India Congress Committee (AICC) General Secretary Digvijay Singh, who was sent to Goa by the high command to form the government amid a hung House, will be removed as Karnataka in-charge. Karnataka will go to polls early next year.

The high command, sources said, IT is upset the way Digvijay Singh "mishandled" the whole issue that led the BJP to form the government in Goa. Two years ago, the party had bitterly lost Andhra and Telangana under Singh.

Even some of the Congress MLAs in Goa have alleged that the political managers sent by the party bosses spent most of their time merry-making in the coastal State and could not decide on the CM candidate and the alliance on time. The MLAs said that while BJP President Amit Shah effectively got his team to act, the Congress team



went to Panaji and had fun.

Sources said the decision to replace Digvijay Singh would be taken once Congress Vice President Rahul Gandhi returns from the US where he has gone to be with his mother Congress President Sonia Gandhi who is being treated for an ailment at a hospital.

Party sources said that Gulam Nabi Azad will oversee the party affairs in poll-bound Karnataka and he enjoys the support of most of the Congress leaders in the State. "Azad will take all Congress leaders along with him and during his tenure as party in-charge, Congress came to power in 2013. The party wants the same performance to be repeated," sources told *Star of Mysore*.

They added that the high command has taken the complaints of Congress leaders in Karnataka against Digvijay Singh seriously that he listens only to the Chief Minister and not other leaders. Along with replacing Singh, the high command is also mulling at changing the existing party General Secretaries. It may be recalled here that Congress General Secretary B.K. Hariprasad resigned recently. One more party General Secretary is Oscar Fernandes.

The names doing the rounds for new General Secretaries are Krishna Bhyregowda, D.K. Shivakumar and Dinesh Gundu Rao.

Meanwhile, facing criticism for the way he handled the situation in Goa after elections, Digvijay Singh this morning said that his proposal for a pre-poll alliance with Goa Forward Party was "sabotaged" by his own party leaders. Putting the blame on his colleagues in the Congress, Singh said, that had the alliance with Goa Forward Party gone through, the Congress would have got a majority in the Goa and that it was unfair to now make tag him as the "villain".

City veterinarian dies in mishap

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (RK&VNS)- A 24-year-old youth died and a 19-year-old boy suffered injuries when the motorbike they were travelling rammed into an electric pole on Bogadi Ring Road in the wee hours of today.

Sachin Lokesh

The deceased has been identified as Sachin Lokesh, son of Dr. Sudhir Chandra, a resident of Preethi Layout in Vijayanagar 4th Stage and a Veterinary Sciences graduate. The injured has been identified as Thakshak, Sachin's cousin, who is undergoing treatment at a private hospital in city.

Police said that the incident occurred at around 1.15 am when both Sachin and Thakshak, who were in an inebriated condition, were returning home on KTM Duke Bike (KA 09 HF 1304). Sachin, who was riding the bike, lost control and rammed it to an electric pole located on the left side of the road. Passersby called the 108 ambulance, which rushed to spot.

Unfortunately, Sachin, who suffered serious injuries, breathed his last while being shifted to the hospital.

K.R. Traffic Inspector Nagegowda visited the spot and conducted a mahazar before registering a case. Sachin's body was shifted to MMC&RI mortuary for post-mortem.

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Nanjangud and Gundlupet Assembly by-polls

Former CM BSY criticises State Budget

Holds election rally at Hangala in Gundlupet

Gundlupet, Mar. 17 (SG)- Criticising the State Budget presented by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, former CM and State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa (BSY) said that Siddharamaiah had failed to announce any measures for boosting the agriculture sector.

Speaking at an election rally at Hangala in the taluk yesterday, Yeddyurappa said Siddharamaiah had let down the farming community by not declaring waiver of farm loans.

Maintaining that the farming community was in deep distress following drought and crop failure, the former CM said the State Budget was neither pro-farmer nor pro-poor.

Claiming that the number of beneficiaries under Bhagyalakshmi Scheme had come down to a mere 1 lakh from 3 lakh, Yeddyurappa said Siddharamaiah had fooled women.

Appealing the people to vote for BJP candidate C.S. Niranjan Kumar, Yeddyurappa promised that all major water bodies will be filled up and the Gundlupet Assembly segment will be developed comprehensively if the BJP was voted to power.

Former Minister M.P. Renukacharya, Chamarajanagar District BJP President Prof. K.R. Mallikarjunappa, former MUDA Chairman L. Nagendra, leaders A.R. Krishnamurthy, S.P. Suresh and others were present.

Nothing special in State Budget: Sreenivasa Prasad

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (RK&DM)- Maintaining that there was nothing special in the State Budget, former Minister and BJP candidate for Nanjangud by-poll V. **Sreenivasa Prasad** said that the Budget was only a gimmick to fool the people ahead of Nanjangud and Gundlupet by-elections.

Speaking to *SOM* at his residence in Jayalakshmipuram here this morning, Sreenivasa Prasad said that CM Siddharamaiah instead of announcing farm loan waiver, had indulged in petty gimmick by announcing several populist sops, which will remain only on paper.

Pointing out that there were no plans for reviving the agriculture sector, which is reeling under drought and crop loss, Prasad said that Siddharamaiah was dreaming about winning the by-poll by making false promises.

Replying to a question on reports of several Congress Ministers being deployed for by-poll campaign, Prasad said that he was not scared of any strategy of the CM.

Asserting that he has the people's support and Siddharamaiah's efforts to woo the electorate would fail, the former Revenue Minister said he was sure of winning the Nanjangud by-poll.

Alleging that Siddharamaiah had only hijacked former CM Jagadish Shettar's plans of announcing new taluks, Prasad said that the announcement only showed the CM's hypocrisy as Siddharamaiah as Opposition Leader then, had opposed the move.

Continuing his attack on the CM, he said that Siddharamaiah had ignored forming of sub-divisions in districts such as Chamarajanagar, Davanagere and Gadag, besides failing to improve the infrastructure in these districts, which were created years ago.

Parimala Nagappa joins BJP

Kollegal, Mar. 17 (NS&SS)- Former MLA and JD(S) leader Parimala Nagappa joined the BJP at a programme organised at MM Hills in the taluk yesterday.

Parimala Nagappa is the wife of former Minister Nagappa, who was killed by forest brigand Veerappan about 15 years ago.

Speaking after joining the BJP, Parimala said she was joining the party in order to realise Prime Minister Narendra Modi's agenda of making the country Congress-free. Welcoming Parimala Nagappa into the party, former CM and State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa said Parimala will get due respect in the party.

Pointing out that the induction programme was organised at M.M. Hills on the request of Parimala, he said that Parimala's entry to the BJP will give a big boost to the party in the taluk.

Claiming that the Congress Government was mired in corruption, he said that the people who were fed up with Congress party's loot and family politics of JD(S) were looking at the BJP for good governance.

Excise Dept. sets up Control Room & Check-Posts

Nanjangud, Mar. 17-The Excise Department has set up a Control Room and 15 Check-Posts at various entry and exit points of Nanjangud to check illegal transport of liquor to woo the voters during the campaign for the ensuing Nanjangud by-election.

The Department has posted Excise personnel at the Check-Posts, who will be monitoring the vehicles moving in and out of the town. The Department has named Excise Deputy Commissioner K.M. Thammanna (Mob: 94495 97182) as the Nodal Officer. Nanjangud Taluk Excise Inspector G.V. Padmavathi (Mob: 99005 98030) will receive the complaints regarding illegal transport of liquor.

This apart, a mobile squad has also been set up to keep a vigil round-the-clock in the town. Public can also lodge their complaints by contacting the Excise Control Room on Ph:08221 - 224720.

Ramdas campaigns for Prasad at Nanjangud

Nanjangud, Mar. 17 - Former Minister S.A. Ramdas hit the streets in Ward Numbers 1, 6, 7, 9 and 20 in Nanjangud on Wednesday as part of election campaign for the ensuing Assembly by-election.

Addressing the people at Halladakeri, he highlighted the welfare programmes announced by the Central Government and also the failures of the present State Government.

He also announced that the BJP candidate and former Minister V. Sreenivasa Prasad would file his nomination papers on Mar. 20.

City Municipal Council Vice-President Pradeep, Member Girish, BJP District Rural Vice Presidents S. Mahadevaiah, K.K. Jayadev, Ashok, N.R. Krishnappa Gowda and others took part in the poll campaign and sought support for Prasad.

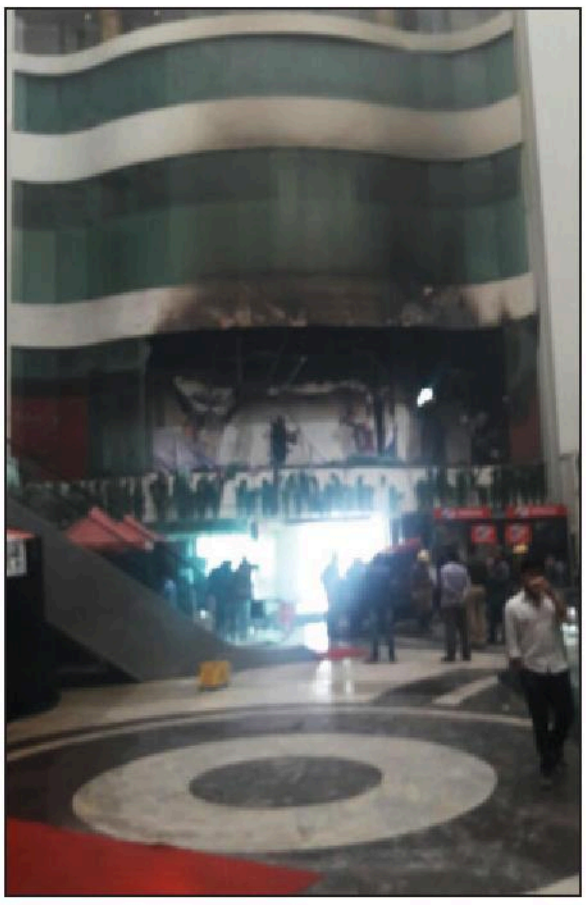
Geetha Mahadevaprasad launches door-to-door campaign

Gundlupet, Mar.17(SG)- In a bid to get a headstart for poll campaign for Gundlupet by-poll, Dr. Geetha Mahadevaprasad, Congress candidate and wife of late Minister H.S. Mahadevaprasad, launched door-to-door campaign in several villages in the constituency yesterday.

Dr. Geetha, who undertook campaign at Vadeyanapaura, Ankalli, Bachalli, Shetalli and Kebbepura coming under Terakanambi ZP, reminded the voters of the measures taken by her husband for their allround development and appealed the voters to cast their votes in her favour, in order to carry forward her late husband's developmental agenda.

She also promised the electorate that she will work to the best of her ability to ensure that the taluk becomes a development model for the entire State.

Dhoni, teammates rescued from hotel fire in Delhi



Delhi, Mar. 17 - Former Indian Skipper M.S. Dhoni and his Jharkhand teammates were evacuated from a hotel in Delhi where a fire broke out early this morning.

Dhoni along with others were rescued from the hotel moments later. A call was made to the Delhi Fire Service at around 6.30 am following which nearly 30 fire tenders were rushed to the spot and the fire was brought under control by around 7.30 am.

Dhoni and Jharkhand team were staying at the hotel in Delhi to play in the Vijay Hazare Trophy semi-final. Sources said that the team's kit was charred in the incident.The match has been reportedly postponed to Saturday.

The Jharkhand team had entered the semi-final after defeating Vidarbha by six wickets. Dhoni is an active member of the Vijay Hazare squad and has captained all six matches so far. Dhoni's participation in Jharkhand team has been drawing huge crowds to the matches.

Kohli suffers shoulder injury, under observation

Ranchi, Mar. 17 - In what could be a worry-some news for the Indian team, skipper Virat Kohli has been placed under observation after undergoing scans for an injured right shoulder.

BCCI confirmed that Kohli's condition is being monitored and a call on his fitness will be taken only after the scan reports are out on Friday morning.

"The BCCI Medical Team confirms that Indian Captain Mr. Virat Kohli is presently undergoing treatment to recuperate from a strain in his right shoulder. He will continue to receive treatment, which will assist him to participate in the rest of the match," BCCI statement read.

A committed team man, Kohli dived in the outfield to save a boundary and tumbled over the ropes during the opening day of the third Test in Ranchi.

Later, the Indian captain was seen grimacing in pain as he rubbed his right shoulder.

"The exact status of Virat's injury will be known by tomorrow morning," said fielding coach R. Sridhar to reporters yesterday.

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MDFA 'C' Division Football League

Shivaji FC, Cosmos FC settle for a draw

Mysuru, Mar.17- Shivaji FC and Cosmos FC were involved in a 1-1 drawn encounter in the MDFA 'C' Division Football League for the 'Chirag Trophy' at the University Grounds yesterday.

Shoaib scored the only goal for Shivaji FC in the 5th minute of the game and the equaliser for Cosmos FC came from left-out Wahab in the 45th minute. Both the teams earned a point each.

Kabaddi Referee Exam

Bengaluru, Mar.17- Karnataka State Amateur Kabaddi Association, Bengaluru, will conduct the State-level referee examination on Mar18 & 19 at Makkala Koota, Chamrajapet, Bengaluru. For details, contact M. Shanmugham on Mob: 98860 00142.

India F6 Futures Men's Tennis

Suraj, Prajwal Dev to take part

Trivandrum, Mar.17- Mysuru lads Suraj R. Prabodh and S.D. Prajwal Dev will be taking part in the India F6 Futures $15,000 ITF Men's Tennis Tournament to be held at Trivandrum Tennis Club, Trivandrum, Kerala from Mar. 20-26.

Suraj and Prajwal Dev will be playing in the men's singles qualifying rounds in order to enter to the main draw of the tourney. G. Prajneesh is the top-seed in the men's singles event. He is followed by Sriram Balaji, Vishnu Vardhan and Sasi Kumar Mukund.

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Plea to cover the drain in Shanthinagar

A big drain passing through a residential complex on Mahadevapura Main Road 4th Cross in Shanthinagar is causing a lot of problems to residents living in the surroundings who are bearing the stench emanating from the sewage water. Also, mosquitoes have increased a lot in the locality with children and senior citizens falling sick due to mosquito bites. Authorities concerned are urged to cover the big drain with concrete, which would be helpful for all.

Sewage water overflowing on DD Urs Road footpath

Sewage water from a broken UGD pipeline is overflowing on the footpath on D. Devaraj Urs Road in city since six months causing inconvenience to the public and shopkeepers. Shopkeepers said that despite the authorities conducting inspection of the spot, no action has been taken till date which has resulted in foul smell spreading in the surroundings. Authorities concerned are urged to fix the broken pipeline for the benefit of all.

Stop putting fire on roadsides on CV Road

Indiscriminate burning of garbage and waste materials is taking place on the 1st cross road of CV Road in Bannimantap here causing a lot of inconvenience to the public and the residents who have to inhale toxic smoke emanating from the burning garbage. Civic authorities are urged to conduct an inspection, deploy its officials and penalise those who are found dumping and burning garbage.

Mysore Cartoonists Assn. formed

Mysuru, Mar.17(US)- Mysuru city, which is house for many legends in various fields was also the house of famous cartoonist late R.K. Laxman and the city has produced a lot of cartoonists over the years.

The Mysore Cartoonists Association (MCA) has been established on Mar.12 with its office on New Kantharaj Urs road in Saraswathipuram. The office-bearers are Prakash Chikkapalya-Hon. President, M.V. Nagendra Babu-President, D. Ananda Murthy-General Secretary, H.G. Nagendra Prasad- Secretary and Doddannahundi Rajanna- Treasurer.

Seen in the picture are the office-bearers D. Ananda Murthy, D. Rajanna, Prakash Chikkapalya, HGN Prasad and M.V. Nagendra Babu.

The Association plans to hold camps and workshops to promote drawing of cartoons. Incidentally Nagendra Babu, HGN Prasad and Rajanna have been associated with *Star of Mysore* and *Mysooru Mithra* in the cartoon section.

Photo expo of women achievers marks Intl. Women's Day

Mysuru, Mar.17(US&SP)- Marking International Women's Day, an exhibition of photographs of about 50 women achievers was organised by Maharani's College of Commerce and Management at its premises on JLB Road in city recently.

Inaugurating the expo, Advocate M.N. Sumana asked women to be bold and confident to face the world. Stressing on the importance of women, she said that discussions were on globally to come out with an International Day without women.

Singer and College alumnus K.S. Surekha inaugurated the stage programme. Sand Sculptor Gowri was the chief guest. College Principal Dr. Annegowda presided. Convenor M. Shivanna and others were present on the occasion.

Artistic touch to damaged manhole

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (VNS) - City artist Badal Najundaswamy, who is grabbing the attention of BBMP in Bengaluru through his creative art works to highlight civic problems, has now created a simple art work around a damaged manhole at Kukkarahalli in Mysuru to draw the attention of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) authorities.

Badal has drawn the round spectacles of Gandhiji, the logo of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan around the manhole, highlighting the apathy of the MCC officials for not taking up the repair works despite several complaints.

Maybe, after seeing the art work of Badal, the MCC, may take up the repair works of the broken manhole.

Will the authorities concerned wake up before it is too late?

Clear pending cases against Palace Board: DC

Mysuru, Mar. 17- Dy. Commissioner D. Randeep, who is also the Executive Officer of Mysore Palace Board, has instructed the officials to initiate measures to clear the pending cases filed against the Palace Board.

Addressing the Palace Board meeting here yesterday, DC Randeep said that 14 cases were pending against the Board among which few had been stayed by the Courts.

The Board has been facing cases filed by employees, relating to parking space, eviction of petty shops and others. Later, Randeep instructed the officials to take up works on developing an attractive park inside the Palace premises.

He asked the officials to seek help from the Horticulture Department to develop an attractive park for the benefit of the large number of visitors.

Additional Dy. Commissioner T. Venkatesh, Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya, Horticulture Deputy Director D. Manjunath, Palace Board Legal Advisor Suresh and others were present at the meeting.

National Seminar for college girls 'Ananya' tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (KS)- The Ramakrishna Institute of Moral and Spiritual Education (RIMSE), as part of the 150th birth anniversary celebration of Sister Nivedita, has organised a National Seminar titled 'Ananya' for college girls on Mar. 18, from 9 am to 5 pm, at Yajnavalkya Auditorium in RIMSE premises in Yadavagiri here.

The theme of the Seminar is 'Empowering the Women, Develop the Nation.'

Ashwini Angadi, National Facilitator for Young Voices, will be the chief guest.

Swami Maheshatmananda, Correspondent, RIMSE, Mysuru, will deliver the introductory address, while Swami Atmajanandaji Maharaj, President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru, will deliver the Presidential address. For details, contact RIMSE on Ph: 0821-2417666.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Decry

Pronunciation: dih-KRY
Meaning: To depreciate (as a coin) officially or publicly; to express strong disapproval of.
Origin: Decry, depreciate, disparage, and belittle all mean "to express a low opinion of something," but there are also some subtle differences in their use. Decry, which is a descendant of the Old French verb crier, meaning "to cry," implies open condemnation with intent to discredit ("he decried her defeatist attitude"). Depreciate implies that something is being represented as having less value than commonly believed ("critics depreciated his plays for being unabashedly sentimental"). Disparage implies depreciation by indirect means, such as slighting or harmful comparison ("she disparaged polo as a game for the rich"). Belittle usually suggests a contemptuous or envious attitude ("they belittled the achievements of others").

THE ODD WORD

Quantulum

Small quantity.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Get down to brass tacks

Meaning: Engage with the basic facts or realities.

Origin: The figurative expression 'getting down to brass tacks' isn't particularly old as phrases go. Its first appearance in print was from the USA in January 1863, in the Texas newspaper - The Tri-Weekly Telegraph: "When you come down to 'brass tacks' - if we may be allowed the expression - everybody is governed by selfishness." All of the other known early citations either originate in, or refer to, Texas. It is reasonable to assume that the phrase was coined there, in or about the 1860s. The derivation of 'getting down to brass tacks' is uncertain. Nevertheless, it is a phrase that is often asked about. Brass tacks are real as well as figurative items and two of the most commonly repeated supposed derivations refer to actual tacks.

QUOTE BOX

Be true to your work, your word, and your friend.

—John Boyle O'Reilly

RIDDLE THIS

Answer this Rebus:

Answer: Pretty please.

SUDOKU

	7	8			5	3	2	
		3	4				6	
	4		1					
							1	3
		2				6		
8	1							
					9		7	
	8				7	5		
	3	6	2			9	4	

Answer to previous puzzle

9	7	8	4	6	5	2	1	3
1	3	2	9	7	8	4	6	5
4	6	5	2	3	1	9	7	8
3	5	6	1	4	2	7	8	9
2	9	1	5	8	7	6	3	4
7	8	4	3	9	6	1	5	2
8	4	7	6	2	3	5	9	1
6	1	9	8	5	4	3	2	7
5	2	3	7	1	9	8	4	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

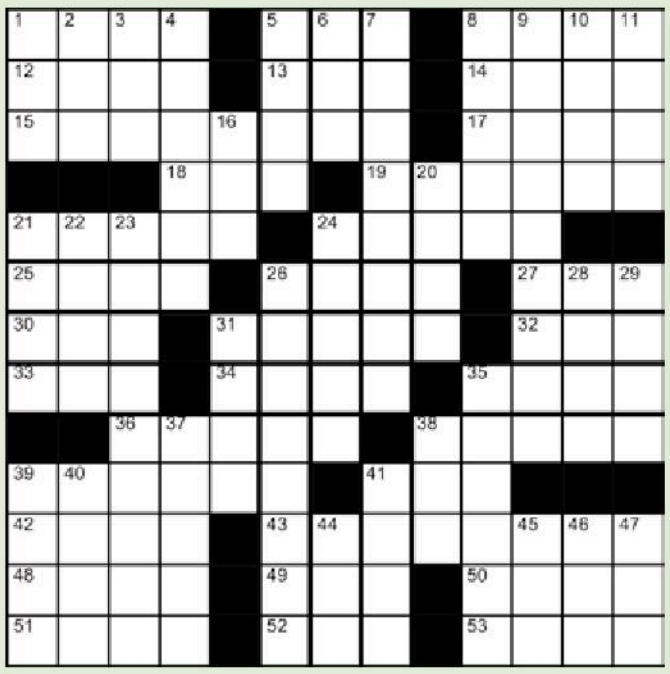
1 100,000 in our country, especially rupees
5 A Programming Lang.
8 Mimic or copier
12 Manoeuvre
13 French vineyard -"cur" anagram?
14 Former Italian coin
15 Negligent; untidy
17 Among other things, inter ___
18 Dried grass for fodder
19 New York City area
21 Product of apiary
24 "S" for the Greeks?
25 On top of
26 Scorch
27 Bloke
30 Strong drink
31 Accra is its capital
32 Irish Republic Army, acronym
33 Norse goddess
34 Verdi's Egyptian opera
35 Growl - "rang" anagram?
36 Denote, depict or suggest
38 It may be acute, right or obtuse
39 Disputed or opposed
41 Tokyo, once - "doe" anagram?
42 Copies the monkeys?
43 Lack of sleep malady
48 ____, where, when and how?
49 Riya or Sushmita?
50 Heads of corn
51 Not any, in archaic English
52 Haw's partner?
53 One of Captain Hook's men

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

E	S	P		F	M	S				I	T	S
M	L	I		L	A	I	C		G	R	I	P
U	S	E	F	U	L	L	Y		E	A	S	Y
			L	I	T	E	R	A	L			
	E	R	I	D	A	N	U	S		R	O	C
B	R	A	G			T	S	A	R	I	N	A
R	E	K	H	A			P	U	T	T	S	
A	C	E	T	O	N	E			N	E	H	A
T	T	S		N	O	N	S	E	N	S	E	
			L	E	T	T	U	C	E			
A	L	F	A		C	A	L	O	R	I	E	S
P	O	E	M		H	I	L	L		S	A	O
T	B	D				L	Y	E		H	U	N

DOWN

1 Long playing records, in short?
2 By ___ odds : in every respect; by far; undoubtedly ?
3 Colourful Japanese carp
4 Punctuation mark
5 Sore, as muscles
6 Expert, in short
7 Industrially developed city in Punjab
8 Buzzer which wakes us up in the morning?
9 Looting or plundering, ravishing
10 Lake ___ :one of the five big lakes in North America?
11 480 sheets or paper make one
16 Declare or utter aloud
20 City of the Taj Mahal
21 Grant or Laurie of Hollywood
22 English painter
23 Multi-dimensional
24 Disreputable
26 Puerile or infantile
28 Famous mountain range in Russia
29 Nimble - "year" anagram?
31 Stare or ogle at
35 Garden dwarfs from Zurich?
37 Vaporous or foggy
38 Fuss, bother
39 Earlier part of the day
40 Hebrew measure - "pa he" anagram?
41 Labourer of yore
44 French word for "born"
45 National association of manufacturers, acronym
46 Wrath or anger
47 Airline-Selected Equip.



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

ZCJ CRAO XGUUMRF RV VNMJFPUCMX MU RV UR UTJJZ GFP

UZJGPO GFP AROGA GFP JFPENMFH G FGZENJ ZCGZ MZ TMAA AGUZ

ZCNREHC G TCRAJ AMVJZMLJ, MV FRZ GUWJP ZR AJFP LRFJO

TODAY'S CLUE: Z EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: History will be kind to me for I intend to write it. - Churchill

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Hebbuli	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Eradu Kanasu	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	94489-06100	4 Shows
	Prabha	2423569	3 Shows
Dhwani	Prabha	2423569	1 Show
Shuddhi	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Urvi	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Chowka	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Kirik Party	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Bengaluru Underworld	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Kalaberake	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Machine	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Aa Gaya Hero	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Nirmala Aunty	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Bruce Lee	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Motta Shiva Ketta Shiva	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
ENGLISH			
Kong: Skull Island	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows

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Beauty and The Beast (E-3D)	(S-1)	11.15 am, 4.45 pm 7.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Urvi (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm
	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Shuddhi (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am, 5.20 pm
Kong: Skull Island (E-3D)	(S-2)	12.40 pm, 3.00 pm, 7.35
Alamara (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Eradu Kanasu (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am
Bruce Lee (Ta)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
C/o Saira Banu (Ma)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
Logan (E)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Badrinath Ki Dulhania (H)	(S-4)	11.00 am, 4.30 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Hebbuli (K)	(S-4)	1.45 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — PH: 2533444 / 2533456

Beauty and The Beast (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.40 am, 1.25 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Badrinath Ki Dulhania (H)	(S-2)	10.10 am, 4.00 pm 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Kong: Skull Island (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.10 pm
Urvi (K)	(S-2)	1.00 pm; (S-4) 6.40 pm
Logan (E)	(S-3)	2.25 pm
Hebbuli (K)	(S-4)	1.00 pm
Eradu Kanasu (K)	(S-4)	10.10 am, 3.50 pm
Shuddhi (K)	(S-3)	12.05 pm, 5.15 pm
Trapped (H)	(S-3)	9.50 pm, 7.40 pm
Bruce Lee (Ta)	(S-4)	9.40 pm
Alamara (Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON SATURDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.45 Bhavageete, 10.00 Vocal Recital, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs, 11.30 Kannada Film Songs, 12.00 noon Hindi Film Songs, 12.30 Makkala Mantapa, 1.00 Devotional Songs, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.30 Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Film Songs, 3.30 Folk Songs, 5.00 Film Songs, 6.15 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 7.45 Samachara Darshana, 9.16 Nimma Pathra, 9.30 National Music Programme.

EVENTS TODAY (MAR.17)

CO-OPTEX: Expo-cum-sale to showcase the weaves from Tamil Nadu with 'Buy 2 Get 1 Free' offer, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre, JLB Road, **up to 8 pm.**

Rajasthan Art Collection: Artisan Nature Bazar, an exclusive Exhibition-cum-Sale of Handloom and Handicrafts, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, **up to 8.30 pm.**

Sri Nataraja Women's Residential First Grade College: Valedictory of one-day seminar on 'Impact of Demonetisation on Industries,' Dr. Mahesh, Assistant Professor, Department of Studies in Economics and Co-operation, University of Mysore, delivers valedictory address, Dr. G. Mahadevaswamy, Assistant Professor, Maharani's College for Management Studies and Prof. Lokesh Murthy, Co-ordinator (Education), Sri Nataraja Prathishtana, chief guests, College premises, Sri Hosamath, **4 pm.**

All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH): Inter-collegiate cultural festival 'AIISH Aawaaz-2017,' Mysore Anand, noted actor and comedian and Sangeetha Ravindranath, noted playback singer, will inaugurate, Dr. S.R. Savithri, Director, AIISH, presides, Panchavati Campus of the institute, Bogadi Road, **6 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Vocal concert by Vid. N. Srinath, accompanied by Vid. C.N. Tyagarajan on violin, Vid. V.R. Srinivas on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Koushik on ghata, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Vasundhara Performing Arts Centre (VPAC): Natarajothsava-2017, a 3-day National-level Classical Dance Festival for male and couple young dancers, Prof. Niranjan Vanalli, Registrar, KSGH Music & Performing Arts University, Mysuru, inaugurates; Dr. M. Surya Prasad, Senior Art Critic, Bengaluru, chief guest, K.V. Murthy, President, VPAC, Mysuru, presides; Kathak by Rupeesh Kumar Gupta [Durbhanga]; Bharatanatyam by Pavan Kumar and Vidu. M.S. Sindhu Rao, M.S. Bindu Rao, KSGH Music & Performing Arts University, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm to 9 pm.**

Sri Krishna Ganasabha: 15th annual, Music Concerts and Thyagaraja & Purandara Dasara Aradhana Mahotsava, Swami Athmajnanandaji, President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru, inaugurates; Madhegowdaru, former MUDA Chairman and former MLC, chief guest, S. Ramaprasad, President, Mukthaka Sahitya Academy, will be present, B.S. Sridharraje Urs, President, Sri Krishna Gana Sabha, presides; Music programme — Vid. Karthik Hebbar - Vocal, Vidu. Veena Suresh - Violin, Vid. A. Radhesh - Mridanga and Vid. Sriram Bhat - Khanjira, Alwar Kalabhavan, Krishna Temple premises, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: Vid. A.V. Prakash Memorial Music Concert, flute recital by Vid. T.R. Srinath and troupe, Sri Prasanna Parvathi Kalyana Mantapa, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR.18)

Sri Sheneshwaraswamy Nirantara Seva Bhakta Mandali, Vidyaranyapuram: Sri Shanidevara 36th annual Aradhana Mahotsava, bringing of Navagraha and Kalasha from Chamundi Vana, **10 am;** Mahamangalarati, **12.30 pm;** Anna Santarpane, **1 pm;** Devotional Songs, **6.30 pm.**

Chamundi Hill: Brahmarathotsava of Sri Mahabaleshwara Swamy, atop Chamundi Hill, **7.20 am to 8.20 am.**

Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, NIE Institute of Technology (NIEIT): National Seminar on 'Recent Advances in Communication Technologies - A Power System Perspective,' N. Murugesan, former Director-General, CPRI, Bengaluru, inaugurates, G.S. Ramachandra, Hon. Secretary, NIE, presides, Seminar Hall, Sri Shankaracharya Bhavana, NIEIT, **10 am.**

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Raaga Music Academy: Talk on 'Healthy living through Ayurveda and Yoga' by Dr. N.V. Krishnamurthy, **4.30 pm;** 48th music concert — Vid. Dr. K.T. Udayakiran on Keyboard, accompanied by Vid. C.N. Thyagarajan on violin and Vid. Tumakuru B. Ravishankar on mridanga, Prajna Kuteera Ayurveda Centre, **5.30 pm.**

JSS Medical College, Mysuru: Annual Graduation Day, Dr. S. Rajasekaran, Chairman, Department of Orthopaedics & Spine Surgery, Ganga Hospital, Coimbatore and President, SICOT (International Society for Orthopaedics and Trauma Surgery), chief guest, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Dr. C.G. Betsurmath, Executive Secretary of JSS Mahavidyapeetha, presides, Sri Rajendra Auditorium, JSS Medical College premises, **5 pm.**

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Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Nityasthanandaji speaks on 'In search of happiness,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

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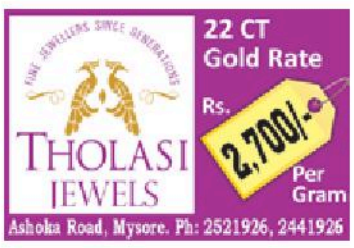

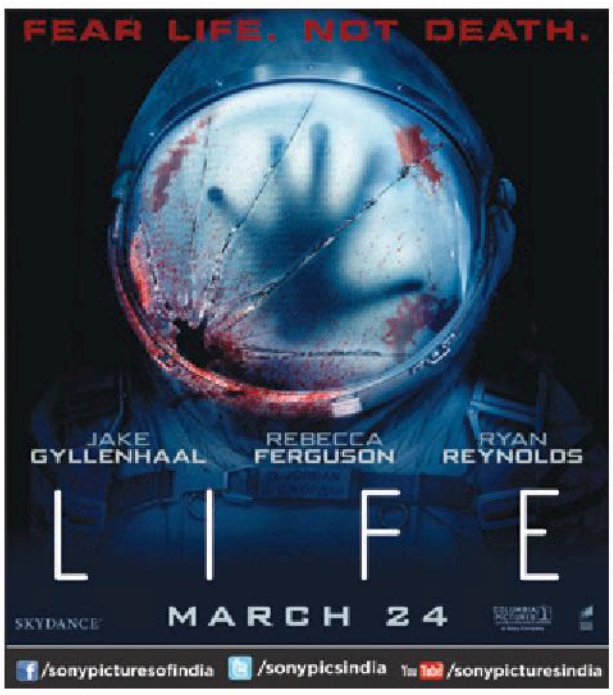

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